

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COPPELL, TEXAS

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COPPELL, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS HERETOFORE REPEALING CHAPTER 3 ‘CITY DEPARTMENTS’, ARTICLE 3-1 ‘WATER DEPARTMENT’, SECTION 3-1-5 ‘WATER RATES; MONTHLY’ IN ITS ENTIRETY AND REPLACING IT WITH NEW CHAPTER 3, ‘CITY DEPARTMENTS’, ARTICLE 3-1 ‘WATER DEPARTMENT’, SECTION 3-1-5 ‘WATER RATES; MONTHLY’; BY PROVIDING A NEW RATE FOR MONTHLY METER BASE RATE AND VOLUME; BY REPEALING CHAPTER 3 ‘CITY DEPARTMENTS’, ARTICLE 3-2, ‘SEWER DEPARTMENT’, SECTION 3-2-2, ‘SEWER RATES (MONTHLY)’ IN ITS ENTIRETY AND REPLACING IT WITH A NEW ARTICLE 3-2, ‘SEWER DEPARTMENT’, SECTION 3-2-2, ‘SEWER RATES (MONTHLY)’; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Coppel has previously enacted water and sewer rates for both residential and non-residential for delivery and use of the municipal water and wastewater systems; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the need has arisen to provide new water rates and new wastewater rates to insure continuous and quality service; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has adopted an increasing block rate structure to encourage water conservation throughout the year.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COPPELL, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the Code of Ordinances of the City of Coppel, Texas, be and the same is hereby, amended by repealing Chapter 3 ‘City Departments’, Article 3-1 ‘Water Department’, Section 3-1-5 ‘water rates; monthly’ in its entirety and replacing with a new Chapter 3, ‘City Departments’, Article 3-1, ‘Water Department’, Section 3-1-5, ‘Water Rates (Monthly), to read as follows:

“CHAPTER 3 CITY DEPARTMENTS

ARTICLE 3-1 WATER DEPARTMENT

Sec. 3-1-1. Taking over water district.

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Sec. 3-1-5 Water Rates; Monthly

A. *Residential*: The monthly rates or charges for water service furnished by the City waterworks system for single-family dwellings shall be as follows:

1. Single-Family:

The Meter Base Rate for the first 1,000 gallons (minimum) shall be as follows:

Size	Type	Rate
5/8 inch meter	A	\$ 21.53
1 inch meter	B	\$ 29.06
1-1/2 inch meter	C	\$ 43.53
2 inch meter	D	\$ 57.85
3 inch meter	E	\$ 95.69
4 inch meter	F	\$127.72
6 inch meter	G	\$191.32
8 inch meter	H	\$255.10

The residential meter volume rates are:

Water User	Type/Volume	Volume Unit Charge (\$/1,000 gal)
Residential	0—1,000 gal	Based on meter size shown in the Table above
	1,001—15,000 gal	\$3.13
	15,001—25,000 gal	3.92
	More than 25,000 gal	\$7.84

The monthly rates or charges for water service furnished by the city waterworks system for non-single-family dwellings, such as mobile home parks wherein there is one master meter which serves more than one unit, shall be the same rates as set forth in the residential base rate section above. The meter shall be charged the base rate for a Type "A" 5/8 inch meter, regardless of actual meter size multiplied by the number of units served at the location. The first 1,000 is included in the base rate. All usage

over 1,000 gallons will be billed at \$3.56 per 1,000 gallons and not based on the residential tier rate schedule.

- B. *Commercial and Industrial:* The monthly rates or charges for water service furnished by the city for apartment or multi-family complexes, hotels, motels, office buildings, townhouses, and condominiums, and commercial or industrial uses shall be based upon a meter base rate as set out below. In the event that city ordinance requires installation of a meter strictly for fire protection, that meter shall be charged the base rate for a Type "A" $\frac{5}{8}$ inch meter, regardless of actual meter size.

The Meter Base Rate shall be as follows:

Size	Type	Rate
5/8 inch meter	A	\$23.73
1 inch meter	B	\$32.04
1-1/2 inch meter	C	\$47.99
2 inch meter	D	\$63.78
3 inch meter	E	\$95.69
4 inch meter	F	\$127.72
6 inch meter	G	\$191.32
8 inch meter	H	\$255.10

All usage over 1,000 gallons \$3.56 per 1,000 gallons

- C. *Irrigation Meters:* The Monthly rates or charges for water service furnished by the City for commercial irrigation meters shall be based upon a meter base rate as set out below, plus a volume rate of \$3.77 per 1,000 gallons consumption up to 25,000 gallons and \$7.84 per 1,000 gallons of consumption in excess of 25,000 gallons.

Size	Type	Rate
5/8 inch meter	A	\$25.15
1 inch meter	B	\$33.96
1-1/2 inch meter	C	\$50.87
2 inch meter	D	\$67.61
3 inch meter	E	\$101.43
4 inch meter	F	\$135.39
6 inch meter	G	\$202.80
8 inch meter	H	\$270.41”

SECTION 2. That the Code of Ordinances of the City of Coppell, Texas, be, and the same is hereby amended by repealing Chapter 3 ‘City Departments’, Article 3-2, ‘Sewer Department’, Section 3-2-2, ‘Sewer Rates (Monthly)’ in its entirety and replacing it with a new Article 3-2, ‘Sewer Department’, Section 3-2-2, ‘Sewer Rates (Monthly)’, to read as follows:

“CHAPTER 3 CITY DEPARTMENTS

ARTICLE 3-1. – WATER DEPARTMENT

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ARTICLE 3-2.- SEWER DEPARTMENT

Sec. 3-2-1. – Connection to sewer required

Sec. 3-2-2 Sewer Rates (Monthly)

- A. The monthly rates charged for services furnished by the Sanitary Sewer System of the City shall be based upon the amount of metered water which is furnished during the month as follows:

- (1) Residential: First 1,000 gallons (minimum) \$24.30. All over 1,000 gallons \$2.43 per 1,000 gallons total charged of sewer consumption shall be based on winter averaging.

- (2) Winter averaging shall mean the average water usage for the months of November, December, January, February, and March proceeding April of each year. This five-month period shall be used as the basis for calculating a residential customer's monthly volume consumption after removing the highest use month and lowest use month from the calculation. The remaining three months shall be averaged to determine a monthly volume consumption for sewer services billing purposes. This calculation will be added to the first 1,000 gallon minimum to determine total sewer service billing.
- (3) New customers shall be assigned the city-wide sewer volume average until a winter average is established for the account during the months stated above.

B. Commercial, Industrial, and Non-Single-Family Dwellings	First 1,000 gallons (minimum) \$25.31. All over 1,000 gallons \$2.53 per 1,000 gallons.
C. Sewer Service Only (flat rate)	\$46.17 for those sewer customers who are not connected to the City's water system."

SECTION 3. That all provisions of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Coppell, Texas, in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance be, and the same are hereby, repealed, and all other provisions not in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. That should any word, phrase, paragraph, section or portion of this ordinance or of the Code of Ordinances, as amended hereby, be held to be void or unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of said ordinance or of the Code of Ordinances, as amended hereby, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall become effective from and after its passage and the rates established herein shall be effective on February 1, 2024.

DULY PASSED by the City Council of the City of Coppell, Texas, this the 12th day of December 2023.

APPROVED:

WES MAYS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ASHLEY OWENS, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ROBERT E. HAGER, CITY ATTORNEY